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Alexander[Fidis.Alexander@epa.gov]; Berol, David[Berol.David@epa.gov]; Buffo, Corey[Buffo.Corey@epa.gov]; Schroer,

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**Cc:** Fabiano, Claudia[Fabiano.Claudia@epa.gov]

From: Fleisig, Erica

Sent: Mon 2/22/2016 7:51:43 PM

Subject: RE: a CMS is coming your way from Nina Bell Re: Petition for Rulemaking on Water Quality Criteria for Toxics in the State

of Washington

No, I owe you guys comments on that, but check Matt's 2/18/16 email in response to David's email in case we need to make any changes. I think we were hoping for your input once you've had a chance to settle back into things. Thanks!

From: Chung, Angela

Sent: Monday, February 22, 2016 2:48 PM

To: Fleisig, Erica <Fleisig.Erica@epa.gov>; Szelag, Matthew <Szelag.Matthew@epa.gov>; Fidis, Alexander

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I recall that Matt sent you a draft response letter (along with one responding to a petition asking us to promulgate revised HHC for

Alaska from another organization).

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Sent: Monday, February 22, 2016 11:19 AM

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FYI that we are due to respond to Nina's petition by 3/3 (signed at the DD level). Ex. 5 - Attorney Client / Deliberative Process

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From: Fabiano, Claudia

**Sent:** Monday, February 22, 2016 2:12 PM **To:** Fleisig, Erica < Fleisig, Erica @epa.gov>

Subject: FW: a CMS is coming your way from Nina Bell Re: Petition for Rulemaking on Water Quality Criteria for Toxics in the State

of Washington

From: Washington, Evelyn

Sent: Monday, February 22, 2016 1:23 PM

To: Buffo, Corey <Buffo.Corey@epa.gov>; Keating, Jim <Keating, Jim@epa.gov>; Fabiano, Claudia <Fabiano.Claudia@epa.gov>

Cc: Hisel-Mccoy, Sara < Hisel-McCoy.Sara@epa.gov>; Barash, Shari < Barash.Shari@epa.gov>

Subject: a CMS is coming your way from Nina Bell Re: Petition for Rulemaking on Water Quality Criteria for Toxics in the State of

Washington

This is her Second Follow Up to October 28, 2013 Northwest Environmental Advocates' Petition on this subject.

Northwest Environmental Advocates sent a petition to update the State of Washington's aquatic life criteria in its water quality standards on October 28, 2013. We did not respond.

On August 31, 2015 they sent a follow-up letter urging us to respond. We wrote thanking them for our "valuable input" on the matter but provided no info on when/if we intend to respond to the petition.

This new letter points out minor errors in the original petition and that EPA cannot rely upon the state to do what it should and how inexcusable it is that EPA has not taken any steps to bring WA's water quality standards for toxics up to date. And once again, they urge us to grant the petition.

The due date for the response is March 3 and it is a Direct Reply meaning the DD will sign it.